## **Board of Commissioners of Cook County**

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL



# **Journal of Proceedings**

**Tuesday, June 26, 2018** 

## 9:00 AM

# **Special Consent Calendar Journal of Proceedings**

# Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

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> DAVID ORR COUNTY CLERK

#### **Board of Commissioners**

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June 26, 2018

Board met pursuant to law and pursuant to the following call:.

#### PRESIDENT LETTER

June 18,2018

The Honorable David Orr Cook County Clerk 69 West Washington St. Fifth floor Chicago, Illinois 60602

Re: SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE for Tuesday June 26, 2018 at 9:00 am in the Cook County Board Room, 118 North Clark street, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois

Dear Clerk Orr:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County to be convened on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at the hour of 9 am in the County Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

At said meeting, the following item will be considered:

Consent Calendar

Please issue the Notice of this Special Meeting as required by law.

Very truly yours, Toni Preckwinkle President

#### LETTER TO COMMISSIONERS

June 18, 2018

President and Members Cook County Board of Commissioners

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Toni Preckwinkle, President of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, has directed me to call a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at the hour of 9:00 A.M. in the County Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. At said meeting, the following item will be considered:

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Very truly yours,

David Orr County Clerk

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The following Legal Notice appeared in the Chicago Tribune Newspaper, Wednesday, July 20, 2018 through Tuesday, July 26, 2018.

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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Very truly yours,

DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk and Clerk of the Board of the Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois

#### OFFICIAL RECORD

President Preckwinkle in the chair.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

At 9:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

# **QUORUM**

County Clerk David Orr called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Deer, Fritchey, Gainer, García, Goslin, Moody, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski (17)

# **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Pursuant to Cook County Code of Ordinances, public testimony will be permitted at regular and special meetings of the Board. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon at this time to deliver testimony germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three (3) minutes. The names of duly authorized speakers shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

- 1. George Blakemore Concerned Citizen
- 2. Ganga Washington Women Breakthrough Alliance NFP
- 3. Mark Armstrong Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### 18-4145 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE LUIS ARROYO JR, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER,
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TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

# CONGRATULATING JORGE RAMIREZ ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CHICAGO FEDERATION OF LABOR

**WHEREAS**, this June, Jorge Ramirez will be retiring from his position as president of the Chicago Federation of Labor (CFL) and as vice president of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO); and

**WHEREAS**, Jorge Ramirez was elected president of the CFL, an organization with 320 affiliates representing workers from pilots to doctors to zookeepers, in 2010, having previously served as secretary-treasurer. Prior to joining the CFL in 2006, Ramirez was elected vice president and served as executive director of Local 1546 of the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union, representing nearly 30,000 members in Chicago and throughout Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2008, Ramirez has served on the Cook County Health and Hospitals System Board of Directors as Vice-Chairman. In 2012, he was named to the Chicago Infrastructure Trust board and the Cook County President's Council of Economic Advisors. He currently serves as a member of the UNITED STATES Department of Labor's Labor Advisory Committee, the Chicago Convention and Tourism Bureau Board of Directors, the Navy Pier, Inc. Board of Directors, the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership and

is co-chairman of the City of Chicago Labor Management Cooperative Committee (LMCC) and on the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago's Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Jorge also serves as co-chairman of the Chicago Manufacturing Renaissance Council and member of the National Manufacturing Renaissance Campaign design team and a director of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois. Ramirez also serves on the Mercy Home for Boys and Girls Board of Regents, the United Way of Metropolitan Chicago Board of Directors and a number of other boards and commissions; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2012, Jorge was named one of Chicago Magazine's 100 most powerful Chicagoans, a great testament to his influence and dedication to the Labor movement and residents of the Chicagoland area; and

**WHEREAS**, as the son of Mexican immigrants, Jorge understood the struggles his father, a meat packing worker in Chicago's Back of the Yards neighborhood, and his fellow workers endured to unionize their workplace in the 1960s. Their fight for a living wage and better conditions motivated Jorge in his career serving working men and women in organized labor.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do hereby congratulate Jorge Ramirez on his retirement as President of the Chicago Federation of Labor and offers its most heartfelt gratitude for his tireless efforts to achieve better conditions for all working men and women; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to Jorge Ramirez to memorialize this occasion.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4450 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE LUIS ARROYO JR, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,

# TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

# RECOGNIZING THE MEN AND WOMEN OF COMED THAT VOLUNTEERED TO RESTORE ELECTRICITY TO PUERTO RICO

**WHEREAS**, originating from a tropical wave that the National Hurricane Center began monitoring on September 13, Maria developed into a tropical storm on September 16 strengthening just a couple of days later to a Category 5 hurricane, sustaining wind speeds of up to 160 mph and making the 2017 season the first since 2007 to feature two (2) Category 5 hurricanes; and

**WHEREAS**, with winds of 155 mph, Maria made landfall in Puerto Rico on September 20, 2017, making this hurricane the strongest to hit the territory since the 1928 San Felipe hurricane; and

**WHEREAS**, hurricane Maria hit Puerto Rico and the UNITED STATES Virgin Islands just 14 days after hurricane Irma skirted the island, damaging the electrical grid, compounding problems for all Puerto Ricans; and

**WHEREAS**, all of the 3.5 million residents of Puerto Rico lost power following hurricanes Irma and Maria and in the nearly nine (9) months since hurricane Maria made landfall in Puerto Rico, more than 40,000 people are still without electricity; and

WHEREAS, Puerto Rico is experiencing the longest blackout in UNITED STATES history and second-longest in world history, forcing Puerto Ricans to live, work, cook, attend school and live life in the dark; and

**WHEREAS**, 146 ComEd employees raised their hand and volunteered to travel to help their fellow Americans in Puerto Rico facing unfamiliar and treacherous terrain on the island's mountains and in its rainforests; and

**WHEREAS**, these employees, along with utility workers from the five (5) other Exelon utilities, spent over 50 days in Puerto Rico visiting some of the areas hit hardest by the hurricane and installing 376 poles, 267 transformers, and more than 108 miles of cable thus helping more than 11,000 residents in the affected areas.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do hereby recognize the invaluable humanitarian effort by the men and women of ComEd who volunteered to help our fellow Americans in the Island of Puerto Rico; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the ComEd Operations Team Leads for their service to the People of Puerto Rico.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4431 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PETER N. SILVESTRI,
PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### HONORING DAVID KING ON THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BUSINESS

WHEREAS, David King founded David King and Associates 25 years ago; and

WHEREAS, David has worked tirelessly to build his business into one of the premier commercial real estate companies in Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, David has worked with financial, municipal and medical tenants to help build up his business; and

WHEREAS, anyone who has worked or even met with David would tell you that he is energetic, enthusiastic individual who works incredibly hard; and

**WHEREAS,** David served his community further as the President of the Triton Community College Foundation and is a current trustee for the foundation; and

**WHEREAS,** Triton serves thousands of students each year, and David has worked to make sure the facility and educational outcomes are excellent; and

WHEREAS, David has lived in Forest Park for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, David is actively involved in the Chambers of Commerce in the western suburbs; and

WHEREAS, he was instrumental in the resurgence of Madison Avenue in Forest Park; and

**WHEREAS,** he has dedicated his life not only to building his business, but to building up the Village he calls home; and

**WHEREAS,** David has improved the lives of so many West Suburban Cook County residents and the entirety of the First District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that David King is honored for his contributions to the Western Suburbs and congratulated on the 25th anniversary of his business.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID	ORR, (	County C	`lerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4441 RESOLUTION

## Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR., JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER,
JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,
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TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## HONORING LARRY BROUTMAN FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRESERVING THE HISTORY OF CHICAGO

**WHEREAS**, Larry Broutman is an award winning photographer and author who resides in Cook County, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) where he received his Bachelors, Masters, and Doctorate Degrees in the field of Materials Engineering and science in 1963; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman during his career in polymer engineering and science was an active researcher, teacher (Illinois Institute of Technology) and writer of over 150 technical articles; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman has received numerous awards for his photography and coffee table books that capture the history of Chicago in a unique way; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman is the author of three (3) books (Chicago Unleashed, Chicago Monumental, and Chicago Eternal) that chronicle the history of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman in his book Chicago Unleashed captures images of wildlife photographed around the world and iconic Chicago urbanscapes; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman in his book Chicago Monumental provides a photographic tribute to over 250 historic monuments, fountains, memorials, and statues in Chicago's parks and cemeteries; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman in his book Chicago Eternal chronicles the stories of more than 300 Chicagoans buried in Chicago cemeteries, including people like Emmett Till, Bobby Franks, Al Capone, Marshall Field, and Harold Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Broutman has donated all proceeds from his books to the Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Access Living.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that Mr. Larry Broutman is honored for his contributions to preserving the history of Chicago through his books and congratulated for his efforts.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID	ORR, (	County Clei	rk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4286

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

#### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

#### EDWARD SADLOWSKI, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Edward Sadlowski from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Edward Sadlowski was the beloved husband of the Marlene; and

WHEREAS, Edward Sadlowski was the proud father of Susan Sadlowski Garza, Patricia Hoyt, Edward Sadlowski Jr and Diane Agelson; and

**WHEREAS** Edward Sadlowski was the proud grandfather of David Garza, Ryan Garza, Kate Garza, Tyler Garza, Deanna Hoyt, Adrianne Hoyt, Faith Sadlowski, Evelyn Sadlowski, Ed Sadlowski II, Angela Agelson and Hallee Agelson; and

WHEREAS, Edward Sadlowski was the loving great-grandfather of Aria and Sofia Garza; and

**WHEREAS,** Edward Sadlowski was born in Chicago's South Chicago neighborhood and left school early to bravely serve in the Unites States Army during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Edward Sadlowski began working as a machinist's apprentice at US Steel in Chicago where he received the nickname "Oil Can Eddie." In 1964, he became the youngest person elected as President of Local 65, the United Steelworkers of America (USWA); and

**WHEREAS,** in 1975, Edward Sadlowski became President of the United Steelworkers of America District 31 with a membership totaling over 125,000 workers in Illinois and Indiana; and

**WHEREAS,** Edward Sadlowski served on a local panel of the Illinois Labor Relations Board from 1993 to 2001; and

**WHEREAS,** the Illinois Labor History Society inducted Edward Sadlowski into its Union Hall of Honor in 2012:

WHEREAS, Edward Sadlowski was an influential voice for working class men and women locally and nationally and his service to workers' rights and union activism has helped improve the lives of Steelworkers and union members across many industries; and

WHEREAS all who knew him will attest that Edward Sadlowski was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by his family, now therefore

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Edward Sadlowski and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of Edward Sadlowski so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Proposed Resolution be deferred. The motion carried.

## 18-4386 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

#### THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

# HONORING GERRY BARTNICKE ON HER RETIREMENT FROM SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP SENIOR AND DISABLED SERVICES

WHEREAS, Schaumburg Township Senior and Disability Departments serve hundreds of residents a month; and

WHEREAS, Gerry Bartnicke is retiring as the Director of these departments after 34 years of service beginning on June 1, 1984; and

WHEREAS, her leadership has made a profound impact on our community and in particular Schaumburg Township through the creation of new services such as Township Riders Initiative Program (TRIP), and Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC), and through transportation services that have brought residents to their doctor appointments and allowed them to communicate with friends and family; and

**WHEREAS**, she is a tireless advocate for persons with disabilities serving on numerous committees and boards whose purpose is serving this often-underserved population; and

**WHEREAS,** Gerry has left a lasting mark and professional legacy and serves as an example of leadership that Townships can provide in the areas of disabled and senior services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and Board of Commissioners of Cook County do hereby extend their best wishes, commend Gerry Bartnicke for her years of service and wish her a long and healthy retirement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable body and that a copy tendered over to Gerry Bartnicke

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4449 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

# THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### HONORING THE JAIN CENTER OF METROPOLITAN CHICAGO AND THEIR 25TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Jain Center of Metropolitan Chicago was established in 1992; and

WHEREAS, the main Murti of Bhagwan Mahavir Swami was consecrated in 1993; and

**WHEREAS**, the center has grown to about 6000 registered members in Cook County and Chicago Metro area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jain Center has been serving the spiritual, religious, cultural, social and humanitarian needs of its community; and

WHEREAS, the Jain Center has over 500 students in its Pathshaala; and

WHEREAS, the students meet at least two (2) Sundays a month learning and internalizing Jain values of compassion, universal equality, religious pluralism and supreme Ahimsa; and

WHEREAS, the center runs a free medical camp every year which is used by 300 people; and

**WHEREAS**, the center has established a college scholarship and loan program which has received a very good response from students and donors alike; and

WHEREAS, consistent with Jain principles of non-violence and compassion, the center contributes to various animal welfare causes in the United States and in India; and

WHEREAS, the community works on inter-faith activities that reinforce their religious pluralism; and

**WHEREAS**, the center is run by a group of 20 elected and voluntary Board of Trustees and Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Jain Center celebrates their 25th year, from June 22nd till July 1st, 2018.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and Board of Commissioners of Cook County do hereby extend their best wishes and congratulate the Jane Center on their 25 year anniversary; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable body and that a copy tendered over the Jain Center of Metropolitan Chicago.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4503 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

#### THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE,

#### PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### HONORING THE 29TH ANNUAL AFRICAN FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

**WHEREAS**, the Annual African Festival of the Arts is a four-day celebration of African and African diaspora culture in the Midwest, one of the largest celebrations attracting more than 175,000 visitors annually; and

**WHEREAS,** Chicago's historic Washington Park is transformed into an authentic African village to encourage and foster the education about the traditions of Africa; and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual African Festival of the Arts is comprised of five distinct areas each representing a center of culture and commerce on the African continent: *Nubia* (fine arts); *Kush* (wearable arts); *Songhay* (African arts and crafts, collectibles and natural products); *Timbuktu* (African fabric and fashions); and *Bank of the Nile* (food court); and

**WHEREAS,** attendees are encouraged to enjoy this family-focused celebration that offers African-influenced food, dance traditions, and more than 300 vendors and artisans with artifacts, textiles, traditional crafts, and museum-quality art; and

WHEREAS, the Annual African Festival of the Arts is nationally recognized for its outstanding entertainment that includes national and international artists performing every genre of music from traditional African reggae to RandB-hip hop; and

**WHEREAS,** the Annual African Festival of the Arts was founded by Liberian-born business leader Patrick S. K. Woodtor and is now run by Africa International House; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 29th Annual African Festival of the Arts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, honor the Annual African Festival of the Arts and praise its essential cultural and educational contribution to the residents of Cook County.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID ORR,	County Clerk	

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4504 RESOLUTION

### Sponsored by

# THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE GEORGE N. LEIGHTON

**WHEREAS,** the Honorable George Neves Leighton, née Leitão, was born on October 22, 1912 in New Bedford, Massachusetts to Ana Silva Garcia and António Neves Leitão; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable George N. Leighton's surname was changed to Leighton after an elementary school teacher claimed she could not pronounce Leitão; and

**WHEREAS,** the Honorable George Neves Leighton was raised in New Bedford and Cape Cod, Massachusetts, where as a child he worked picking cranberries and blueberries with his parents; and

**WHEREAS,** agricultural work limited his educational studies, only completing up to the 7th grade before leaving at the age of 17 to work on an oil tanker sailing to the Dutch West Indies; and

**WHEREAS**, despite never completing high school, the Honorable George N. Leighton used his free time reading and also attended night school; and

**WHEREAS,** with great perseverance and skills, he won a scholarship competition and was admitted to Howard University in 1936, graduating magna cum laude four years later; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1940, he was drafted into military service where he became Captain of Infantry before being relieved of active duty in 1945; and

**WHEREAS,** upon his return, he attended Harvard University Law School and earned a Bachelor of Laws degree in 1946; and

**WHEREAS,** soon after graduation, the Honorable George N. Leighton and his wife, Virginia Berry Quivers, moved to Chicago, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS,** after passing the Illinois Bar exam in 1947, he quickly rose within the legal and African-American community as an attorney who fought for equality in voting rights, the school system and housing; and

WHEREAS, one of his most notable civil rights cases was advising an African-American family it was their constitutional right to move to a predominantly white neighborhood in Cicero, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the case sparked a race riot and shed light on housing inequalities the African-American community faced; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1951, he co-founded Moore, Ming, and Leighton which became one of the largest predominantly African-American law firms in the nation; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1969, he was assigned to sit as a judge on the United States Court of Appeals in Illinois' First District; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, President Gerald Ford nominated him to serve as a United States District Court judge; and

**WHEREAS,** after retiring from the United States District Court, he continued working at the firm Langdon Neal until his retirement at age 99; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 29, 2012, the Cook County courthouse located at 26th and California was renamed "The Honorable George N. Leighton Criminal Court Building" in honor of his legal career as a civil rights attorney; and

**WHEREAS,** the Honorable George N. Leighton was an exemplary leader, judge, humanitarian and civil rights advocate who contributed to the improvement of the community in Cook County and everywhere he went; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable George N. Leighton passed away on June 6, 2018 in Brockton, Massachusetts; and

**WHEREAS,** he is survived by two (2) daughters, Virginia Anne and Barbara Elaine, five (5) grandchildren and eight (8) great grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS,** the Honorable George N. Leighton will be sorely missed by friends, family and colleagues throughout Cook County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of the Honorable George N. Leighton and honor the life and memory of this outstanding leader.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID ORR,	County Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4505 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

# THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# HONORING ST. JOSEPH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH AND PROVIDENCE ST. MEL'S SCHOOL SUPPORT IN THE REMEMBRANCE OF JUNETEENTH NATIONAL HOLIDAY

WHEREAS, in recognition of the efforts of Reverend Donald McFadden of St. Joseph Missionary Baptist Church, Adrienne Turner at Providence St. Mel's School, and the African-American Awareness and Appreciation Parade Celebrating committee for hosting the 4th Annual Juneteenth National Holiday Observance and Flag Raising Ceremony; and

**WHEREAS,** St. Joseph Missionary Baptist Church, Providence St. Mel's School, and the African-American Awareness and Appreciation Parade Celebrating committee formed a partnership to promote and educate the community about the remembrance of the Juneteenth national holiday; and

**WHEREAS,** this partnership is celebrating its 4th Annual Juneteenth National Holiday Observance and Flag Raising Ceremony; and

**WHEREAS,** for 150 years, Juneteenth, also known as Emancipation Day, continues to be the most recognized African-American holiday observance in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth commemorates the day freedom was proclaimed to all slaves in the south by Union Army General Gordon Granger on June 19, 1865 in Galveston, Texas, more than two and a half years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Abraham Lincoln; and

**WHEREAS,** in December of 1992, Reverend McFadden was elected Pastor of Saint Joseph Missionary Baptist Church, a historical landmark church committed to transforming lives on the Westside of Chicago, Cook County and worldwide; and

**WHEREAS,** Providence St. Mel is home to more than 600 students from all walks of life. Since 1978, 100 percent of its seniors have been accepted to college, its academic accomplishments recognized by United States presidents; and

**WHEREAS,** this year's theme, *Juneteenth struggle: Conquering Our Past, Commemoration Our Present, and Committing to Our Future*, underscores the noteworthiness of the committee's efforts to remind and educate our youth about Juneteenth; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Donald McFadden of St. Joseph Missionary Baptist Church, along with Adrienne Hawkins-Turner, educator at Providence St. Mel's and the co-founder/coordinator of the African-American Awareness and Appreciation Parade Celebrating committee, put together the annual parade and activities such as workshops, games, flag raising, food, marching bands, and speeches promoting unity and respect.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf residents of Cook County, hereby recognize the extraordinary efforts of the African-American Awareness and Appreciation Parade Celebrating committee instituting this critical educational remembrance of Juneteenth and its essential contribution to the educational viability of Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be shared with the official coordinating committee: Reverend Donald McFadden of St. Joseph Missionary Baptist Church, Adrienne Turner of Providence St. Mel's School, and the African-American Awareness and Appreciation Parade Celebrating committee.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID ORR,	County Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

18-4506 RESOLUTION

Sponsored by

# THE HONONRABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF IVORY D. MITCHELL

**WHEREAS,** Ivory D. Mitchell was born on November 18, 1924 in St. Louis, Missouri to John and Virgie Mitchell; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitchell completed his Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Public Administration from American University in Washington, D.C.; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitchell served his country as a member of the United States Air Force for 41 years, retiring with the rank of Major; and

WHEREAS, Mitchell's career and passion focused on civil rights and education; and

WHEREAS, in college he organized inter-racial groups for discussions and lectures on campus and in nearby communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Mitchell later became an active member of Christ the Mediator Lutheran Church in Chicago and received education and social responsibility through the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity; and

**WHEREAS**, Mitchell worked as Branch Chief of the Office of Civil Rights of the Department of Education, where he conducted investigations and compliance reviews throughout the Midwest focusing on major civil rights laws including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, Title IX promoting women's and minority rights in educational institutions and the rights of persons with disabilities, and educational funding for low-income children through section 504 legislation and the Emergency School Aid Act (E.S.E.A.); and

WHEREAS, after retirement from the Department of Education, Mitchell served as political consultant to hundreds of elected representatives, among them the late Mayor Harold Washington, Cook County Board President John Stroger and former President Barack Obama (State Senator and UNITED STATES Senatorial campaigns); and

**WHEREAS**, as part of his commitment to open, effective and good government, Mitchell joined Independent Voters of Illinois-Independent Political Organization (IVI-IPO) where he served terms as State Chair and South Chapter Chair, receiving numerous special awards on this leadership; and

WHEREAS, Mitchell affirmed his commitment to education and the future of the youth by sponsoring many young adults for aviation flight training at the Gary-Chicago airport; and

WHEREAS, Mitchell was part of the historic Black Tuskegee Airman program; and

WHEREAS, Ivory D. Mitchell passed away on May 28, 2018; and

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by friends, family and colleagues throughout Cook County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and honor the life and memory of Ivory D. Mitchell.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

### 18-4524 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

# THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF REVEREND WALLACE WYATT SYKES

WHEREAS, Reverend Wallace Wyatt Sykes was born on December 21, 1923 in Starkville, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Sykes moved to Maywood, Illinois in 1943 and joined Second Baptist Church shortly afterward; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1957, Reverend Sykes entered into ministry studying at the historic Chicago Baptist Institute and obtained postgraduate degrees from Northeastern Illinois University and the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Lombard; and

WHEREAS, in 1961, Reverend Sykes was ordained and became pastor of Second Baptist Church; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1965, Reverend Sykes was given an honorary doctorate from the board of trustees of the Easonian Baptist Theological Seminary in Birmingham, Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the Second Baptist Church, one of the oldest in Maywood, grew into one of town's most prominent institutions under the leadership of Reverend Sykes; and

**WHEREAS,** as part of Reverend Sykes' emphasis on education, Second Baptist Church established the Maple Tree Child Learning Center, supported the Hayden Memorial Educational Fund and supported the Pam's Pennies Educational Fund; and

**WHEREAS,** Joe Freelon, Maywood's first African American Mayor, was a longtime chairman of Second Baptist Church board and a close friend of Reverend Sykes;

**WHEREAS,** Venida Perkins, Maywood's first African-American Village Clerk, served on the Mother's Board of Second Baptist Church for many years; and

**WHEREAS,** Reverend Sykes' influence was felt beyond the walls of his church and acknowledged on several occasions when the village named a portion of Washington Boulevard in his honor; and

**WHEREAS,** Reverend Sykes was a kind and compassionate man with a vision, virtuous of character and love for his god, education and Maywood; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Wallace Wyatt Sykes passed away on May 19, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, he will be sorely missed by friends, family and colleagues throughout Cook County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Reverend Wallace Wyatt Sykes; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of Reverend Wallace Wyatt Sykes and the Maywood Historical Society so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID	ORR, C	County C	lerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4529 RESOLUTION

Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE,
PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PROCLAIMING PRIDE MONTH IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month is celebrated each year in the month of June; and

**WHEREAS,** Pride Month commemorates the anniversary of the Stonewall Riots that occurred in the Manhattan borough of New York City in June 1969; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stonewall Riots where a series of demonstrations in which members of the LGBT community protested police raids and harassment; and

WHEREAS, the Stonewall Riots marked the beginning of the modern LGBT rights movement; and

**WHEREAS,** a year after the Stonewall Riots, Chicago held its first Pride Parade on June 27, 1970, with approximately 200 people in attendance; and

**WHEREAS,** the annual Chicago Pride Parade is now iconic and one of the largest Pride events in the country in which residents throughout Cook County and the nation have the opportunity to celebrate and stand as one with the LGBT community, their families and friends; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2015 the Supreme Court of the United States ruled all fifty states perform and recognize the marriages of same-sex couples, a historic point for equality in the LGBT community; and

WHEREAS, the LGBT community is an important contributor to the diverse and vibrant communities across Cook County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, hereby proclaim the month of June 2018 to be Pride Month in Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby recommit to strengthening the advancement of equality for the LGBT community of Cook County.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR	, County Clerk	

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

### 18-4457 RESOLUTION

Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

## HONORING LARRY PIEKARZ FOR HIS DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF FOREST PARK

WHEREAS, Larry Piekarz has served the Park District of Forest Park since 1989; and

WHEREAS, Larry became the director of the Park District in 2006; and

WHEREAS, he has dedicated himself to making sure the Park District is accessible to each and every resident of the Village; and

**WHEREAS,** in his tenure at the Park District, the number of programs has grown from six (6) to more than 40; and

WHEREAS, Larry has been a bridge builder between the Village, Park District, residents and local businesses in order to make sure the Parks can offer all of those programs and the popular Fourth of July fireworks; and

**WHEREAS,** Larry has grown the annual No Gloves Nationals tournament to include both local and out of town attendees, putting Forest Park on the map of top recreational locations in the country; and

**WHEREAS,** under Larry's leadership, the Roos Recreation Center, offering Forest Park residents a state-of-the-art facility, became a reality; and

**WHEREAS,** Larry has been a tireless advocate for Forest Park in securing hundreds of thousands in grant funding, and many of those projects will boost Forest Park's image in the years to come; and

WHEREAS, Larry has been an outstanding advocate for the residents of Forest park and that work has benefitted all of the Western Suburbs; and

**WHEREAS,** the entirety of the First District looks forward to the continued efforts Larry will put forth and thanks him for his decades of service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that Larry Piekarz is thanked and honored for his decade.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID ORR,	County Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4459 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

#### THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

#### HONORING THE REVEREND JAMES BASS ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 98TH BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, Reverend James Bass was born on May 7th, 1920 in Doberville, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Bass began school at age six (6), and had a very early calling into the ministry; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Bass was known around the town as "The Boy Preacher"; and

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Bass preached his first sermon in September 1938 and it was titled "Preaching as the Fires Burns," and;

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Bass was ordained as a minister at Mt. Laton in 1941 while still working on his family's farm; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 7, 1941 Reverend Bass was drafted into the United States Army, and he served three years in World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Bass was promoted to Corporal in 1944 and was sent to the South Pacific, India, and New Guinea, and there he became the chaplain on the field and conducted worship services; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 7, 1945 Reverend Bass was discharged and returned to his family in Mississippi and continued his ministerial career; and

**WHERERAS**, Reverend Bass was first called to Pastor in 1950 by the Mt. Israel Baptist Church in Drew, Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, in December of 1955 Reverend Bass was invited to Detroit, Michigan, to conduct a revival for Reverend J.P. Montgomery at Mt. Canaan Baptist Church. After the revival, he stopped through Chicago to visit and ended up preaching his first sermon at the Open Door Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, in 1956 Reverend Bass founded Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago with 19 chartered members; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1967 Reverend Bass was united in holy matrimony to Helyn Maxcine Julius, and they had two (2) children, James Vincent Elliot Bass and Vikkeda Elisa Jacque Bass; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 5, 1980 Reverend Bass and the Mt. Olive family purchased its present building at 5729 West Chicago Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Bass was the pastor of Mt. Olive for 45 years; and

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WHEREAS, Reverend Bass believes that with God, all things are possible; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Bass turned 98 this year, and he thanks God for all of his blessings.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Reverend James Bass is honored by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners for his service to the Gospel and for his dedication to all of Cook County on the occasion of his 98th birthday.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID ORR,	County Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4523 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER,
DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,
GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

# JOHN P "JACK" CASTO, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called John P. "Jack" Casto from our midst; and

WHEREAS, John P. "Jack" Casto was the beloved life partner of the Cathy Clancy Szul; and

WHEREAS, John P. "Jack" Casto was loved as a father by Richard, Beau (Lauren), Dave and Nick (Gigi); and

WHEREAS John P. "Jack" Casto was loved as a grandpa by Lyla; and

WHEREAS, John P. "Jack" Casto was the loving son of the late Sam and Mary Murphy Casto; and

**WHEREAS,** John P. "Jack" Casto was loved as a brother by Ken (the late Diane), Bill (Rebecca), Carl (Regina) Courtrigth and Carol (Larry) Sterling and Bill and Ann McGann; and

**WHEREAS,** John P. "Jack" Casto was a proud south sider who was raised in the Christ the King Parish in Chicago's Beverly neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS,** John P. "Jack" Casto was a graduate of Mt. Carmel High School and an active member of the school's alumni community; and

**WHEREAS,** John P. "Jack" Casto was the one-time owner and longtime bartender at Ken's on Western Avenue where he was known for his wonderful storytelling and generous personality; and

**WHEREAS**, all who knew him will attest that John P. "Jack" Casto was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by his family.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of John P. "Jack" Casto and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of John P. "Jack" Casto so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4497 RESOLUTION

# Sponsored by

## THE HONORABLE DENNIS DEER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

# HONORING REVEREND LESLIE SANDERS AND HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 121ST YEAR ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, on Sunday, August 25, 2018, Hope Presbyterian Church will celebrate its 121st Anniversary; and

**WHEREAS**, Hope Presbyterian was organized in 1897 under the direction of Reverend I.W. Nicholson and a few members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church who moved from Bowling Green, Kentucky to Chicago and settled in the West Englewood community who felt that Presbyterian witness should be organized in this area; and

**WHEREAS**, the first installed Pastor was the Reverend George Washington Camp in 1909 and with hard work and various fundraisers, the members were able to purchase lots at 61st Street and Loomis Boulevard. Ground was broken for the present edifice in 1911 and the building was completed in 1913. The members actually built the church; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1911, the congregation called the Reverend C. Lee Jefferson and moved in the present building with the financial assistance of the Presbytery. Through World Wars I and II and the Great Depression, Hope Church continued to grow and develop; and

WHEREAS, in early 1941, the church called the Reverend Herbert W. Jones who's long and successful tenure ended in June of 1980. Under his leadership, the church began to show new life and growth. Tragedy struck in November 1967 when the Sanctuary was severely burned, but the congregation was determined to rebuild and refurbish the Sanctuary in one year. With the great desire to progress, the congregation also erected the beautiful, multipurpose Christian Education Center at the cost of \$250,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, in February 1986, Reverend Dr. Floyd N. Rhodes recommended the Reverend Leslie Sanders to Hope Church. In March 1987, Reverend Sanders was installed as Pastor and brought a dynamic style of preaching, a unique leadership ability, and an abundance of energy and enthusiasm. Under his leadership the church is experiencing rapid growth spiritually, numerically and financially; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Pastor Sanders, Hope Presbyterian has organized the Voices of Hope and Angelic Choirs, reinstated the Usher Board and responsible for the development of various ministries including: Lincoln/Hope Day care program, the 50 Plus senior's group; young peoples' summer work and tutoring programs in conjunction with ComEd and the office of the Mayor, established a Saturday Feeding Program which serves hot and nutritious meals to indigent individuals in the Englewood Community; and

**WHEREAS,** Hope Presbyterian Church is a true beacon of hope for the Englewood community it has served for 121 years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that President Toni Preckwinkle and Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby congratulate Pastor Leslie Sanders and Hope Presbyterian Church on the occasion of its 121st Anniversary and for the important and commendable service and leadership it provides to its congregation and surrounding community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to Pastor Leslie Sanders in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4508 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

## THE HONORABLE DENNIS DEER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

# HONORING REVEREND WILLIAM MARTIN AND TRUE VINE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 100TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

**WHEREAS,** on Sunday, July 5, 2018, True Vine Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its 100th Anniversary; and

**WHEREAS**, in July 1918, Reverend John Sharpe met with a group of three (3) Baptist believers at 27th and Federal to share his vision of establishing a church. Four (4) years later, True Vine Missionary Baptist Church moved to 3409 South Dearborn and Reverend Sharpe served as pastor until October 1929; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1929, Reverend J.W. Stewart was installed as pastor of True Vine Missionary Baptist Church and the membership paid and burned the mortgage for the church in 1944. Four (4) years later, the church was forced to sell the property due to new development and relocated to 5920-22 South State Street; and

**WHEREAS,** Reverend J.W. Stewart served as pastor until his demise on December 29, 1966 and the church remained without a pastor until Reverend Joe O. Bonds was called on September 3, 1967. The church was in great financial distress but within two years, the church became debt free and grew both spiritually and financially and began saving for a new church home; and

**WHEREAS**, in January 1979, True Vine Missionary Baptist Church congregation purchased the St. Bartholomew Church located at 6720 South Stewart for \$225,000.00 and on January 27, 1980 the congregation marched from 5920 South State to their new church home at 6720 South Stewart on a cold winter snow day; and

**WHEREAS**, in July 1983, Pastor Bonds was elected Moderator of Salem Baptist District Association making True Vine the first church of the district. He faithfully served three successful years in that office; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1995, True Vine Missionary Baptist Church burned the mortgage to their current church home and Reverend Edwin Lee Jones became Assistant Pastor, and served as Pastor until 2014; and

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2014, Pastor William A. Martin was elected as Pastor of the True Vine Missionary Baptist Church. Under his leadership, True Vine offers several ministries to fully serve their community such as an Annual "Love Community Day", Community Fest and Health Fair, after school programs, and has also opened their doors to Chicago Public Schools (CPS) Alternative Program to host violence prevention sessions. The church has partnered with the National Children Hunger Fund Program, providing lunches bi-weekly in addition to providing scholarships to eighth graders and high school students; and

**WHEREAS,** True Vine Missionary Baptist Church is a true beacon of hope for the Englewood community it has served for 100 years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that President Toni Preckwinkle and Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby congratulate Pastor William A. Martin and True Vine Missionary Baptist Church on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary and for the important and commendable service and leadership it provides to its congregation and surrounding community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to Pastor William A. Martin in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

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Attest:	DAVID OKK,	County Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4530 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

#### THE HONORABLE DENNIS DEER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

RECOGNIZING ALDERMAN MICHAEL SCOTT JR, NATASHEE SCOTT AND LAUREN RAYMOND FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE IN PROVIDING CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL, AND MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Westside Cultural Foundation ("WCF") was established in 2012 in an effort to create cultural and educational outlets for the youth, adults, and seniors residing on the West Side of Chicago to support the Chicago Westside Music Festival (WSMF) a free concert produced on the West Side of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS,** WCF is an emerging organization, led by its President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Natashee Scott, JD, MBA and its Executive Director Lauren Raymond, JD are skilled, experienced leaders committed to developing a stable, sustainable best practices organization; and

**WHEREAS,** WCF programs are WSMF and Alvin Ailey Dance Camp are designed to make Chicago's West Side a destination for arts and culture, and build community cohesion; and

WHEREAS, WCF has successfully produced WSMF for six (6) consecutive years; and

**WHEREAS,** on August 18, 2018, WSF will continue the tradition by producing its 7th consecutive free outdoor music concert prompting Chicago's West Side as a safe destination for music, summer festival and family fun. It offers a full day and evening of events in Douglas Park showcasing arts and culture in an area often overlooked; and

**WHEREAS**, the day is hosted by 24th ward Alderman Michael Scott Jr., for more than 1,500 children and 250 seniors and ends with a concert featuring local as well as national headliners; and

**WHEREAS**, WSMF has seen more than 45,000 attendees. Each year, 40-50 individual's volunteers support the event along with \$175,000.00 in sponsorships and \$25,000.00 in-kind donations; and

WHEREAS, WCF also co-hosts a free six (6) week Ailey Camp summer camp held at George W. Collins High School in the North Lawndale Community. Now in its third year, the camp serves up to 100 youth annually. The Ailey Camp is a well renowned national program for young people ages 11-14 to learn to dance, develop, discipline, and explore their own creativity. It is designed to assist youth to develop their self confidence in a warm, respected and trusted atmosphere. Attendees are offered classes from experienced trained artist in styles of West African, Jazz, and ballet. Campers also participate in workshops to build leadership, problem solving and communication skills and enjoy a variety of athletic and social activates. In addition, WCF host an array of events specifically geared to seniors which includes cosponsors of a holiday gift program and proud sponsors of the 21st annual Christmas in the Wards, an organization dedicated to providing Christmas gifts to thousands of children in need across the City of Chicago.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that on behalf of the President, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the 5.4million residents of Cook County take great pleasure in honoring and celebrating Alderman Michael Scott Jr, Natashee Scott and Lauren Raymond for their leadership, dedication and commitment to the West side of Chicago transforming lives through cultural, educational and music experiences, herewith express our sincere gratitude for your service to the community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to Alderman Michel Scott Jr, Natashee Scott and Lauren Raymond in honor of this auspicious occasion.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4531 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

## THE HONORABLE DENNIS DEER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

# RECOGNIZING DONALD DEW FOR HIS TIRELESS LEADERSHIP, DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE AND SERVICE IN COOK COUNTY

**WHEREAS,** Donald Dew has served as President/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Habilitative Systems, Inc. (HSI), a vital Chicago-based health and human services organization providing program and services for thousands of children and families in need since 1984; and

**WHEREAS,** Donald Dew is a graduate of Harvard University/s Business School," Strategic Perspectives in Non- Profit Management Program; and

WHEREAS, he received his Master of Social Work (M.S.W.) degree in 1980 form Jane Adams College of Social Work at the University of Illinois; Bachelor of Arts in Social Work from Lewis University in 1978, where he currently serves as Adjunct Faculty for Organizational Leadership within the College of Arts and Sciences; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1991-1992 Donald Dew was a Fellow in the Leadership Greater Chicago Program presented by the Chicago Community Trust, earned his Certification in Business Administration from the University of Illinois in 1992 and became a Switzer Scholar in 1998; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Donald Dew, HSI has employed workers with disabilities to manufacture pillows to various airlines and Amtrak, developed Ameritech-HIS Bill Payment Center; acquired a Service Master franchise; developed HIS Research Institute; secured over 20 million dollars over the past 15 years from United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Chicago Department of Housing to develop 160 units of senior and disability housing; and

WHEREAS, Donald Dew has been the receipt of numerous awards throughout his career. They include: 1997 National Association of Black Journalists Community Service Award; 1998 Lewis University Distinguished Alumni Award, 2005 RUSH University Medical Center MLK Humanitarian Award and the 2012 Westside Minister's Coalition Human Service Award just to name a few. In addition, he also is a member of the National Association of Social Workers, National Association of Black Social Workers and an active member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. NU Pi Chapter; and

**WHEREAS,** Cook County Government acknowledges Donald Dew for transforming lives through Habilitative Systems, Inc. (HSI) providing quality health and human services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that on behalf of the President, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the 5.4 million residents of Cook County take great pleasure in honoring and celebrating Mr. Donald Dew for his leadership, dedication and commitment as President and CEO of Habilitative Systems, Inc. herewith express our sincere gratitude for your service to the community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to Mr. Donald Dew in honor of this auspicious occasion.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID	ORR, C	County C	Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4462 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY,
DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,
GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### REMEMBERING AND HONORING THE LIFE OF DAVID WAYNE HIRSCHBOECK

WHEREAS, David Wayne Hirschboeck passed away April 11, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hirschboeck was a career Cook County Assistant Public Defender; and

**WHEREAS**, for thirty years, from 1973 to 2003, Mr. Hirschboeck proudly, tirelessly and without hesitation represented those underserved individuals who could not afford to hire their own attorneys; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Hirschboeck served as a teacher, supervisor, mentor and an inspiration to younger and less-experienced attorneys in the Cook County Public Defender's Office; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Hirschboeck served as an attorney in every division of the Public Defender's Office and in every courthouse in the Cook County Public; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hirschboeck was initially assigned as an attorney to the Appellate Division; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hirschboeck was later assigned as an attorney to the Juvenile Division; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Hirschboeck eventually he was assigned as an attorney to the Felony Trial Division where he became a member of the Murder Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hirschboeck served as a supervisor in the Juvenile and Felony Trial Divisions; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Hirschboeck was a 1965 high school graduate of Fenwick High School in Oak Park, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Hirschboeck was a 1969 college graduate of Notre Dame University in South Bend, Indiana, where he was a boxer competing in Notre Dame's Bengal Bouts boxing matches; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hirschboeck was a 1972 law school graduate of The Georgetown School of Law in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hirschboeck was the father of three (3) children, Rebecca, Johanna, and Peter; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Hirschboeck was married to Stephanie who was also a thirty-year Cook County Assistant Public Defender.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County commemorates the extraordinary life of David Wayne Hirschboeck, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable and innumerable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to the family of David Wayne Hirschboeck.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID (	ORR, Coun	ity Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4464 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

#### THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

#### REMEMBERING JOHN ROBERT FRAZIER

**WHEREAS**, World War II Veteran and treasured community leader John Frazier died on May 14, 2018 at the age of 91. During his 91 years he dutifully served his country, his community, his family and his church leaving a profound and lasting impression on each; and

**WHEREAS,** John Robert Frazier was born May 1, 1927 in Abbeville, South Carolina. He was the second of seven (7) children; and

WHEREAS, as a Sergeant, John Frazier served for more than three (3) years during World War II in the 20th Air Force in Guam and 13th Air Force in the Philippines. He later joined the Veteran of Foreign Wars (VFW), William Snell Post 7186 in 1954. Throughout the years he held a number of leadership roles at the William Snell Post. He served as Post Commander and also as Post Adjutant for over thirty years. He will long be remembered at the VFW for his role in chairing the Snell Post 50th Anniversary in 1996; he tirelessly researched and memorialized the original founding members; and

**WHEREAS,** John Fraizer was a lifelong advocate of equality and justice. He was a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and was selected to be the Democratic Precinct Captain in the Second Ward of Evanston; and

**WHEREAS,** John Fraizer was a fixture at the Kenilworth Union Church. He worked as Superintendent of Building and Grounds full time for 42 years and part-time for nine years prior to retiring in 1990; and

**WHEREAS,** John Frazier's commitment and leadership were regularly recognized by the community and he received numerous honors. In 2013, he received the Interfaith Action Vision Keepers Award and in 2017, he also received the Forest E. Powell Foundation Award. In 2008, he received the Nathan Branch Award for Faith as a visionary exemplifying perseverance, self-control and brotherly kindness; and

WHEREAS, John Fraizer was a treasured member of the Second Baptist Church, which he joined in 1989. He was later ordained a Deacon of the church on April 9, 2006 and he spent his time on behalf of the church he loved visiting the sick and those unable to travel to church, praying with them, serving communion and occasionally transporting them to doctor's appointments. He was an active member of the Seniors Ministry, Marriage Ministry, Bible Study, Advent Bible Study and Community Bible Study. He acted as the official videographer for the Media Ministry for eight years; and

**WHEREAS,** John Frazier's exceptional interpersonal skills made him a highly successful and charismatic leader. He joined the Foster Senior Club in July 2006. As President, he successfully doubled the club's membership in two years. He helped organize numerous field trips and facilitated meetings that covered critical topics like healthcare, current events and Black History; and

**WHEREAS,** John Fraizer enjoyed reading, watching basketball, football, baseball and golf and he spent many joyful hours with his beloved great-grandchildren, Reina and Sianna; and

WHEREAS, John Frasier had a passion for travel, he was particularly inspired by his trip to the Holy Lands with a group from Kenilworth Union Church. Along with his devoted wife Jackie, he enjoyed travel throughout the United States and the Caribbean Islands; and

**WHEREAS,** the community has lost a great friend in John Frasier. He will be missed by scores but his loss will be felt most acutely by his beloved wife Jackie, who spent many happy years at his side, his children, his grand-children and his great-grandchildren along with his dear friends Gerri Sizemore, Martha Edwards and Elizabeth Cox.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County commemorates the extraordinary life of John Robert Frazier, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable and innumerable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to the family of John Robert Frazier.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID ORR,	County Clerk	

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

### 18-4536 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

## THE HONORABLE JESÚS G. GARCÍA, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

# CONGRATULATING ALFONSO "AL" BAUTISTA ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER 40 YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

**WHEREAS**, Alfonso "Al" Bautista was born and raised in Chicago and is the third of six (6) sons born to Miguel and Elvira Bautista; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bautista family lived in an apartment above their small neighborhood grocery store El Esfuerzo (The Effort), founded in 1952 located in the Pilsen neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, as a young boy, Al demonstrated that he was a dedicated hard worker by helping his father sweep the store, sort pop bottles, and stock shelves; and

WHEREAS, Al's parents worked hard and provided him every opportunity to achieve his educational goals; and

**WHEREAS**, Al graduated from Andrew Jackson Elementary School and went on to graduate from Lane Technical High School in 1972; and

WHEREAS, at a very young age, Al set a goal to become a Chicago Police Officer with aspirations of becoming a detective; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1978, Al was sworn in as an Illinois State Trooper and became the first law enforcement officer in the Bautista family; and

WHEREAS, in 1980, Al fulfilled his goal and was called to service as a Chicago Police Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, Al was highly regarded and respected by his supervisors and peers for his good character and judgment; and

**WHEREAS**, Al achieved his career dream when he was meritoriously promoted to a detective and assigned to the homicide unit of the Chicago Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Al continued his hard work ethics as a detective and was subsequently promoted to sergeant where he led and supervised police officers in specialized units in complex investigations; and

**WHEREAS**, due to his hard work and dedication, Al was the recipient of numerous department awards and complimentary letters from citizens, other police agencies, and attorneys from several jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS**, Al married Shirley Pulido who was from the Back of the Yards neighborhood and welcomed two beautiful daughters - Raquel and Alexia; and

**WHEREAS**, All went back to school while working in the police department to earn his Bachelor's Degree for the sole purpose of demonstrating to his daughters the importance and necessity of education. He graduated from Lewis University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 2003; and

WHEREAS, All retired from the force in 2008 and immediately began a new chapter in his law enforcement career when he was hired as an investigator with the Cook County State's Attorney's Office where he is presently employed; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2008, Al chaired a fundraising committee consisting of family members and friends to help a young girl diagnosed with ovarian cancer. In a period of approximately three (3) weeks, the committee raised over \$25,000.00 dollars for the young girl and her family to assist them with their financial burden in seeking adequate medical treatment for her; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, Al created the Miguel and Elvira Bautista Memorial Scholarship in honor and memory of his parents and started a fundraising golf outing and holiday dinner dance. Funds from these events have supported more than 40 low-income families and over 90 elementary aged children with educational scholarships between 2011 and 2018. Funds from these events have also been donated to Saint Ann's School, Mother McAuley High School, De La Salle High School, Christo Rey High School, The Fraternal Order of Wildcats Org., and Casa Catalina Catholic Charities Org; and

**WHEREAS**, after 40 years in law enforcement and commitment to his community, Alfonso "Al" Bautista is retiring.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby congratulates Alfonso "Al" Bautista on 40 years in law enforcement and wishes him a happy retirement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Alfonso "Al" Bautista.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID	ORR, C	County (	Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

## 18-4527 RESOLUTION

## Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, LUIS ARROYO JR.,
RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER,
JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN,
EDWARD M. MOODY, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

# IN CELEBRATION OF THE 10TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST LADIES HEALTH INITIATIVE

**WHEREAS**, the First Ladies Health Initiative pilot program began in June, 2008 in Chicago, with 13 First Ladies collectively representing churches across the city. It was an historic, city-wide health day to provide

information and screenings for diabetes, hypertension, HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C, mental illness, breast cancer, Alzheimer's and other diseases along with flu immunizations; and

WHEREAS, the First Ladies Health Initiative is designed to bring awareness to illnesses that disproportionately affect African-Americans and Latinos and to offer free health screenings to individuals in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the First Ladies Health Initiative is sponsored by Walgreens and managed by Chicago's African American public relations agency, Danielle Ashley Group with Tracey Alston as the executive director. The Initiative also consist of many participating healthcare providers such as Harmony Well Care, Gilead, Pfizer, the Illinois Department of Public Health, American Diabetes Association, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois, Haymarket Center, the American Heart Association, as well as the Coalition of the Willing which comprises over 30 healthcare companies, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, NBC-5 Chicago, pharmaceutical and nursing students; and thousands of volunteers, including members of the LINKS and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, collaboratively the First Ladies, Danielle Ashley Group, and Walgreens initiated an HIV/AIDS Task Force which culminated in the formation of the Walgreens First Ladies Health Day; and

**WHEREAS,** the First Ladies Health Day which is the largest health day in the nation of its kind is held annually in Chicago, Illinois, Gary, Indiana, Los Angeles, Orange County, California, and Cincinnati, Ohio. The program begins with a luncheon that's attended by nearly 200 pastor's wives, who hear information from medical professionals on how to educate their communities about various illnesses; and

**WHEREAS,** since 2009 the First Ladies Health Day has provided free health screening to over 30,000 people throughout Chicago, surrounding states and now California; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2012 The Inaugural First Ladies Los Angeles Health Screening Day took place; and

**WHEREAS,** in June of 2014, the Danielle Ashley Group was the only African American, women-owned agency at the Public Relations Society of America Ceremony in New York City. Mrs. Tracey Alston was awarded the Silver Anvil Award of Excellence, in the public service (Partnerships) category for developing the First Ladies Health Initiative in Chicago and Los Angeles; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2015 The First Ladies Health Initiative, had enabled more than 75,000 individuals to get screened for illnesses. The effort has expanded to now include Gary, Indiana, Los Angeles, Orange County, California, and Cincinnati, Ohio; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2016 in Chicago, three (3) predominately Hispanic house of worships: Christian Fellowship Flock South, Iglesia Bautista Casa Degracia, and Rebano Church became a part of the First Ladies Health Initiative Program; and

**WHEREAS,** the result was the First Ladies Health Initiative which has expanded tremendously-starting with the wives of 13 pastors in Chicago to 172 First Ladies across all denominations between the ages of 31-83 from Chicago, Gary, Los Angeles, Orange County, and Cincinnati; and

**WHEREAS,** Tracey Alston, the founder of Danielle Ashley Group and the executive director of the First Ladies Health Initiative says she's proud to be a part of a true sisterhood of organized women working together for the health of the community; and

**WHEREAS,** Walgreens Corporation support of the First Ladies Health Initiative started when it launched; and, today, they continue to share a common mission of creating healthier communities; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 16, 2018 we recognize and celebrate the 10th year anniversary and officially kickoff the First Ladies Health Initiative for 2018.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners congratulates, and recognize the outstanding achievements of the First Ladies Health Initiative for nearly saving hundreds of thousands of lives; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, and that a suitable copy of this Resolution will be prepared and presented to the First Ladies Health Initiative.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest:	DAVID	ORR, (	County (	Clerk		

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

#### 18-4532 RESOLUTION

#### Sponsored by

#### THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

#### A TRIBUTE TO JAZZ LEGEND ISAAC "REDD" HOLT FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS OF PERFORMING JAZZ

WHEREAS, Isaac "Redd" Holt is a native of the state of Mississippi, he soon became a resident of Illinois at the age of eight (8) when his parents moved to Chicago. Isaac shares his life with his wife Marylean who was his childhood sweetheart, his three (3) sons, grandchildren, and great grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS,** Isaac "Redd" Holt was mesmerized by the trap drums at the age of six (6) after seeing a minstrel show, and vowed to his parents that he too would play the trap drums; and

**WHEREAS,** Isaac "Redd" Holt would bang on any pot, pan, top, bottle, glass, table, back of chair or any house ware item that would produce a musical sound that fascinated him. Isaac played on his make shift drums creating various sounds and tones for many years; and

**WHEREAS,** Isaac "Redd" Holt grew older and went on to Study percussion at the Chicago School of Music, the Cosmopolitan School of Music, performed in his high school band for four years, and in the United States Army's 4th Infantry, 12th Regimental Band; and

**WHEREAS,** Isaac "Redd" Holt was a member of the Ramsey Lewis Trio. A group that achieved a gold record, and won a Grammy Award for "In Crowd"; and

WHEREAS, Isaac "Redd" Holt later formed the group Young-Holt Unlimited that performed internationally in Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, and Hong Kong. The group performed for eight (8) years in top jazz clubs, at concerts, and producing great Jazz albums; and

WHEREAS, Young-Holt Unlimited was awarded a Gold Record for their recording of "Soulful Strut"; and

WHEREAS, Isaac "Redd" Holt has over 50 years of dedication to the music of jazz. Performing in concert with other jazz greats such as Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Miles Davis, Nancy Wilson, Max Roach, Cannonball Adderley, B. B. King, Aretha Franklin, Tito Puente, Oscar Brown, Jr., James Brown, Nina Simone, and many others; and

**WHEREAS,** the song Wack-Wack by Young-Holt Unlimited was the opening song for the motion picture "Trial Run"; and

WHEREAS, during Isaac "Redd" Holt musical career he has had the great pleasure of recording with great artists such as Nat King Cole, Dinah Washington, James Moody, The Basie Kats, Lorez Alexandria, Fred Katz, and Ken Nardine; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 23, 2018 we recognize and give tribute to jazz legend Isaac "Redd" Holt for his commitment and dedication to jazz music.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners congratulates, and recognize the outstanding achievements of Isaac "Redd" Holt for over 50 years in the jazz industry; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, and that a suitable copy of this Resolution will be prepared and presented to Isaac "Redd" Holt.

Approved and adopted this 26th of June 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that the meeting do now adjourn to meet again at the same time and same place on September 11, 2018, in accordance with County Board Resolution 18-0624.

The motion prevailed and the meeting stood adjourned.

David Or